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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Carlos Gonzalez Ochoa
Application No.: 09/098,997
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For: System for Bi-Directional Voice and Data Communications Over a Video Distribution Network
Group No.: 2611
Examiner: Rueben M. Brown

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(37 C.F.R. 1.114)

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted (*check appropriate item(s) below*):

- i. ☒ Prior to abandonment of the application
- ii. ☐ Payment of the issue fee
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- iii. ☐ Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences
 - ☐ A notice is being separately sent to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed.
- iv. ☐ Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. 145 or
 - ☐ Commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. 146
 - ☐ Prior to the filing of such appeal or commencement of civil action
 - ☐ Such appeal or commencement of civil action has been terminated

ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith is/are:

- ☐ An information disclosure statement (37 C.F.R. Section 1.98)
 - ☐ Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)
- ☒ An amendment
- ☐ New arguments
- ☐ New evidence in support of patentability
- ☐ Other:

FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of:

☒ Small entity \$385.00

☐ Other than a small entity \$750.00

Continued Prosecution Request Fee \$ 385.00

FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

(Col.1)		(Col. 2)		(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY		
Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For		Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee	OR	Addit. Fee
Total	14	Minus	27	= 0	x \$9 = \$			x \$18 = \$0.00
Indep.	2	Minus	11	= 0	x \$43 = \$			x \$86 = \$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim					+ \$145 = \$			+ \$290 = \$0.00
					Total	\$.00	OR	Total
					Addit.			Addit. Fee
					Fee			\$

* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3,

** If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20".

*** If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3".

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(c) ☒ No additional fee is required.

OR

(d) ☐ Total additional fee required is \$_____.

EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136(a) apply.

- (a) ☒ Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(1)-(4), for the total number of months checked below:

<u>Extension for (months)</u>	<u>Fee for small entity</u>	<u>Fee for other than small entity</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 55	\$ 110
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$210	\$ 420
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> three months	\$475	\$ 950
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$740	\$1,480
<input type="checkbox"/> five months	\$1,005	\$2,010
	Fee	\$ <u>475.00</u>

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

- ☐ An extension for _____ months has already been secured, and the fee paid therefor of \$ _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ 475.00

OR

- (b) ☐ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e))	\$ <u>385.00</u>
Fee(s) for additional claims (if any) (Section 1.16(b)-(d))	\$ _____
Extension of time fee (if any) (Section 1.17(a)(1)-(4))	\$ <u>475.00</u>

Total Fee(s) Due: \$ 860.00

PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE

8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

- ☐ A check is attached for the sum of \$ _____
- ☒ Charge Account 06-0540 the sum of \$ 860.00
☒ A duplicate of this Cover Sheet is attached.
- ☐ Charge Credit Card the sum of \$ _____
(Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) attached.)

Please charge any required additional fee(s) for Section 1.17(e), Section 1.16(b)-(d) and/or Section 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to

- ☒ Deposit Account 06-0540
- ☐ Credit Card (Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) attached.)

Respectfully submitted,

8/20/04
DATE

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